

C I R C U L A R .

The deep and abiding interest we feel in the prosperity of the cause and Kingdom of our God, induces us to address to you this our circular:—

We desire thus to acquaint you with the circumstances that now surround us, and the manner in which the interests of the saints are affected.

To secure the co-operation of the Lovers of Truth and those who hope for its ultimate triumph here and throughout the earth, we are compelled to announce to you the nature of our oppressive pecuniary embarrassments, which cast a shadow of uncertainty over the future interests of the Cause in this land; until these difficulties are met and conquered, the homes and resting place of the Saints are not secured to them.

There is no tie so strong that it may not be severed—no interest so dear but it may be sacrificed, in case of a failure on our parts, to meet and liquidate the indebtedness that now hangs over the Rancho of San Bernardino. The Rancho with improvements thereon are mortgaged to secure the payment of thirty-five thousand dollars, falling due on the 7th day of October, 1855. This, therefore, is the amount of pecuniary aid we ask at the hands of the Saints, and those friendly to the Cause and extension of truth on the earth. For monies thus invested and for the purposes above referred to, and when the mortgage is satisfied, we obligate ourselves to give good and sufficient titles to land on the Rancho, or in the City of San Bernardino. In view of the brief time in which to effect so desirable a consummation, as well as to extend the knowledge of Truth among the family of mankind, we have sent the Elders of Israel throughout the State, who are authorized to proclaim the Gospel to all who will listen to its teachings.

We invite all who may desire a home where society is at Peace, and where the virtues that ren-

der life prolific of happiness are cultivated, to come and assist us in so important an object. By thus aiding the cause of Truth in its onward march, and securing the homes and firesides of its votaries, it will call down upon your head the blessings of happy millions, when under its benign influence the corruptions of earth shall have been dissipated, as the darkness of night fleeth the approach of day; when in the sunlight of Truth it shall stand out to man's comprehension, not only the facts of his own existence, but a just appreciation of his high destiny,—thus fixing his happiness beyond the contingencies of ignorance or the influence of corruption. This is the object of our labors—the incentive to our toils, in which we ask you to come and participate; or staying, transmit such means as you may be able to influence,—that the oppressive burthen may be lifted from our shoulders—that we may rejoice in the accomplishment of the work into which we were sent, whilst you may enjoy the proud satisfaction of contributing to earth's emancipation and man's happiness, and thereby secure unto yourselves that lasting wealth that is treasured where "moth and rust doth not corrupt and where thieves do not break through nor steal." To aid in this so much to be desired consummation, we commend to your kindest consideration the Messengers of Salvation; minister to their necessities and hearken to their teachings; fail not to respond to their call, and secure the corresponding blessings upon yourselves, your children, and all who may be influenced by the relation they sustain to you, by your action in this matter, as the History of the vast future will bear the impress of its results, for good or for evil.

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